

DATE: September 20, 2012

TO: Council Members

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 430** – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 77 Milford Street, Burlington, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The application is from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco) for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 110-foot telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Burlington, Connecticut. The proposed facility is located on an 8.8-acre parcel used as a lumber yard and sawmill.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. Council staff believes additional information can be obtained through pre-hearing interrogatories. This project would not require an outside consultant.

III. Administrative Review

The applicant has stated that all service and filing requirements pursuant to General Statutes § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in the Hartford Courant.

IV. Procedural

The Council must schedule a hearing for the proceeding between 30 and 150 days after receipt of an application. The Council must also appoint a custodian of the docket and designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends designating Carriann Mulcahy as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Burlington on November 13, 2012, and depositing the transcript in the Burlington Town Hall.

V. Proposed Schedule

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| Application received | 08/17/12 |
| Completeness review | 09/20/12 |
| Pre-hearing Questions | |
| • Set-One Filed | 09/24/12 |
| • Set-One responses due | 10/10/12 |
| • Set-Two Filed | 10/15/12 |
| • Set-Two responses due | 10/29/12 |
| Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.) | 10/10/12 |
| Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants | 10/25/12 |
| Pre-filed testimony/other filings due | 11/01/12 |
| Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status | 11/06/12 |
| Field review (2:00 p.m.) | 11/13/12 |
| Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.) | 11/13/12 |
| Close of Record | 12/13/12 |
| Draft Findings of Fact | 12/27/12 |
| Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order | 01/10/13 |
| Deadline for Decision (180 days from filing) | 02/13/13 |

Siting Analyst: Robert Mercier